

Community First Choice Council Meeting

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Department of Health Care Policy and Financing



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Welcome!

Meet the HCPF CFC Team

- **Adam Tucker**, Waiver Innovation Unit Supervisor
- **Eileen Saunders**, CFC Policy Advisor
- **Maddie Quartaro**, CFC Policy Advisor
- **Jordan Larson**, CFC Policy Advisor
- **Katie McGuire**, CFC Policy Advisor
- **Kristine Dos Santos**, Participant Directed CFC Policy Advisor
- **Betty Vanderkaay**, CFC Project Coordinator
- **Lana Eggers**, Waiver Innovation and Compliance Section Manager

Our Mission

Improving health care equity, access, and outcomes for the people we serve while saving Coloradans money on health care and driving value for Colorado.



Purpose of Meeting

- Review feedback and feedback process
- Discussion on settings

Agenda

- Housekeeping
- Settings
 - Final Settings Rule Overview
 - Final Settings and CFC
 - Settings for CFC
- Open Forum

Attendance

- Please complete the [Google Form](#)
- Call in attendance to Jordan Larson at 303-866-3580
 - Available between 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- **Disclaimer:** The information provided through this form will only be viewed by the Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (the Department) for the purpose of ensuring stakeholder representation on CFC implementation. The Department and its parties will adhere to the strictest privacy rules and policies when handling and discussing this information.

The screenshot shows a Google Form with the following fields and options:

- Name**: Short answer text field.
- Today's Date ***: Date selection field with a calendar icon.
- Population(s) represented ***: A list of checkboxes with the following options:
 - Individual with a disability
 - Representative/parent of individual with disability
 - Person over the age of 65 or their representative
 - Service provider
 - State employee
 - Other...

Meeting Etiquette and Ground Rules

- Do not share Protected Health Information (PHI)
- Mind E-Manners
- Stay solution-focused
- Respect each other's time and the meeting time
- Reasonable accommodations such as translation services and/or closed captioning please contact John Barry.
 - john.r.barry@state.co.us or 303-866-3173
 - Department's 504/ADA Coordinator at hcpf504ada@state.co.us at least one week prior to the scheduled meeting to make arrangements.



CFC and Settings



The Home and Community-Based Final Settings Rule

- In 2014, the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) published a rule requiring home- and community-based services (HCBS) to be provided in settings that meet certain criteria.
- The criteria ensures that HCBS participants have access to the benefits of community living and live and receive services in integrated, non-institutional settings.

The Rule Includes Two Provisions

- Home and Community Based Service Settings
 - Increases protections relating to where individuals receive Home and Community Based Services, and
 - Ensures individuals are afforded opportunities to be fully integrated into their community
- The Person-Centered Planning Process
 - Increases the individual's input on how services are planned and what is included in the plan of care

Settings Criteria

- The rule requires that all HCBS settings meet specific criteria, including that they:
 - Be integrated in and support full access to the greater community;
 - Be selected by the participant from among setting options;
 - Ensure individual rights of privacy, dignity, and respect, and freedom from coercion and restraint;
 - Optimize autonomy and independence in making life choices; and
 - Facilitate choice regarding services and who provides them

CFC and the Settings Rule

- CFC and the Settings Rule are designed to work well together to promote more independence for members by safeguarding rights and helping to secure services in the settings members choose.
- Both CFC and the Settings Rule provide opportunities to:
 - Seek employment and work in competitive integrated settings
 - Engage in community life and receive services in the community to the same degree of access as individuals not receiving Medicaid HCBS
 - Control personal resources



Settings for CFC

- In compliance with the Statewide Transition Plan (STP), CFC services will be allowed in the following settings:
 - Personal Homes
 - Locations in the community where covered HCBS are provided

Restricted Settings for CFC

- CFC services will not be available in the following settings:
 - Provider Owned and Controlled Residential Settings
 - Alternative Care Facilities
 - Supported Living Program Facilities
 - Transitional Living Program Facilities
 - Group Homes for adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities (IDD)
 - Host Homes for adults with IDD
 - Individual Residential Services and Supports (IRSS)
 - Foster care homes, host homes, group homes, residential childcare facilities, and qualified residential treatment programs in which Children's Habilitation Residential Program (CHRP) services are provided.
 - Provider Owned and Controlled Non-Residential Settings that provide Adult Day, Day Treatment, Prevocational, and Specialized Habilitation Services



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Discussion/Activity Process

- **Jam Board**

- All points will be placed as sticky notes on the board
- Points brought up will be placed into categories: "What's working" and "What can we improve?"

- **Expressing comments**

- Do not use PHI
- Simply unmute yourself and talk
- Use the chat feature
- Questions? Submit through the [feedback form](#) or via email at hcpf_cfc@state.co.us

Questions for Discussion Forum

- Is there any concern with CFC and its impact on the Final Settings Rule?

Open Forum



Communications

- How to submit questions, feedback, or comments:
 - CFC Email: hcpf_cfc@state.co.us
 - Via phone: Jordan Larson at 303-866-3580
- John Barry for Accommodations:
 - john.r.barry@state.co.us

What's Next?

- Next Meeting: Listening Sessions
 - Wednesday, August 10, 2022
1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
 - [CFC Stakeholder Website](#)
- Volunteer Opportunities:
 - Contact Jordan Larson at
jordan.larson@state.co.us or 303-866-3580

Thank you!



Resources

[Slide deck from the National Resource Center for Participant Directed Services](#)

[CMS Technical Guide for CFC](#)

[CFC Final Regulation](#)

[HCPF CFC Resources webpage](#)

[Final STP](#)

